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C O N F I D E N T I A L KATHMANDU 1767

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PEPR, NP, CH
SUBJECT: VISIT OF KING BIRENDRA TO CHINA AND JAPAN

1. CHIRAN THAPA, WHO IS OFFICIALLY PRESS SECRETARY TO KING BUT MORE PRIVATELY FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISOR, CALLED ME TO PALACE APRIL 6 TO INFORM ME IN STRICTEST CONFIDENCE THAT KING WOULD BE STOPPING IN PEKING ON HIS WAY TO STATE VISIT TO JAPAN. EXACT DATES AND SCHEDULE OF VISITS TO PEKING AND JAPAN ARE STILL BEING WORKED OUT, BUT PRESENT PLANS CALL FOR KING TO BE IN PEKING MAY 13 AND 14.

2. THAPA SAID HE WAS INFORMING ME OF THESE PLANS AT REQUEST OF KING AND HE EXPRESSED HOPE THAT KING'S VISIT TO CHINA WOULD BE CLOSELY HELD UNTIL PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.

3. SUBJECT OF SINO-US RELATIONS WILL PROBABLY COME UP DURING PEKING STOPOVER AS IT REPORTEDLY DID WHEN TENG HSIAO-P'ING VISITED KATHMANDU IN EARLY FEBRUARY. AT THAT TIME CHINESE DEPUTY PREMIER REPORTEDLY EXPRESSED VIEW TO NEPALESE THAT U.S. WAS INTERNALLY CONFIDENTIAL

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WEAK AND IMPLIED THAT U.S. WAS A PAPER TIGER.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: ARE THERE ANY MESSAGES WE WOULD LIKE KING TO CONVEY TO CHINESE LEADERS? WE REALIZE THAT WE HAVE MANY LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS TO CHINESE AND WE DO NOT HAVE TO RELY ON KING. HOWEVER, IF ONLY TO BOLSTER KING'S IMPRESSIONS ABOUT U.S. AND

STEADFASTNESS OF ITS POLICIES AROUND THE WORLD, IT
WOULD BE HELPFUL IF I COULD HAVE A REBUTTAL TO TENG'S
ALLEGATIONS WHICH I COULD PASS TO KING PLUS ANY
MESSAGE IF THERE IS ONE.
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